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EVERYONE INTO THE TORNADO SHELTER, JUST LIKE WE PRACTICED!

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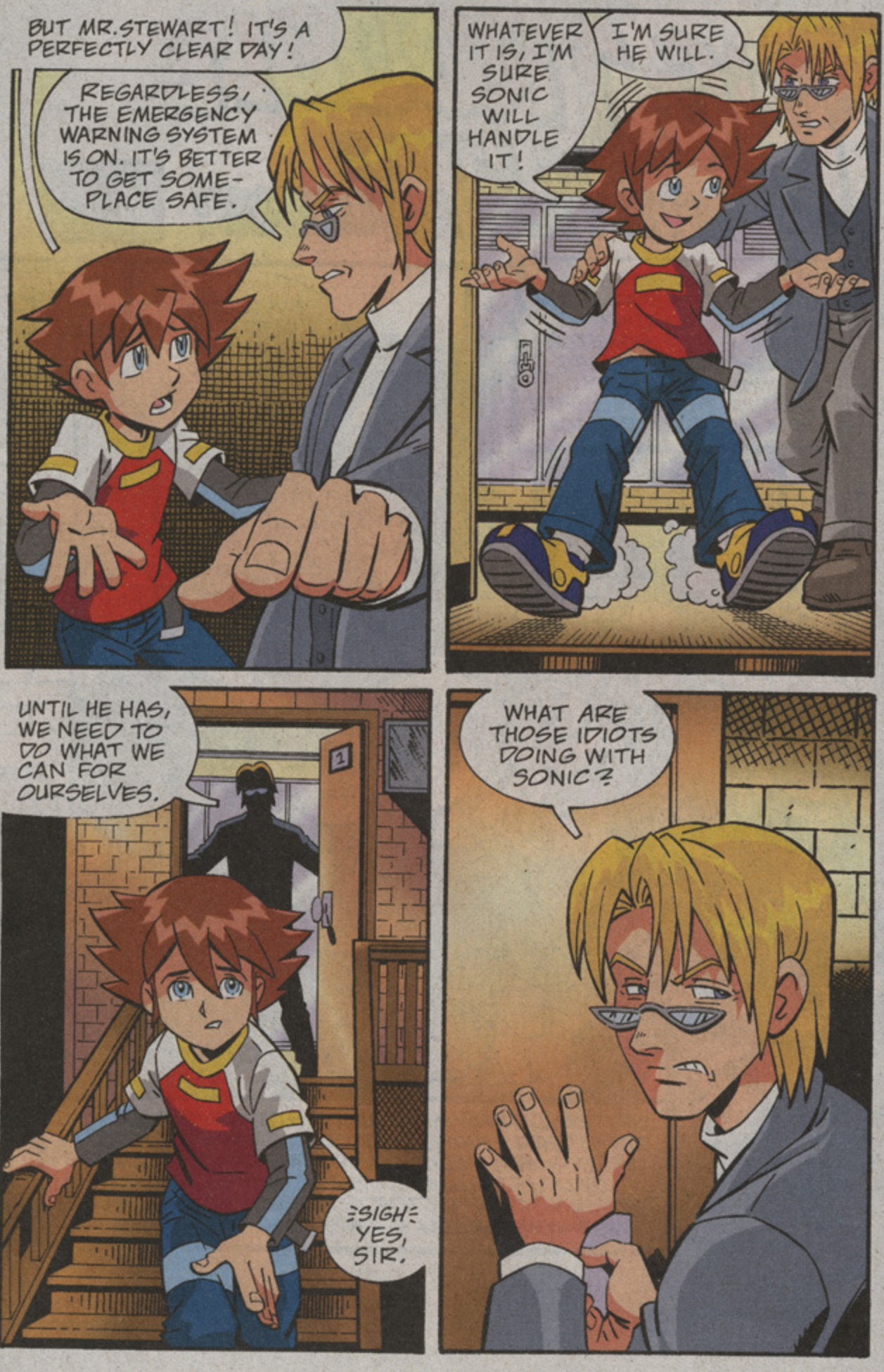
BUT MR. STEWART! IT'S A PERFECTLY CLEAR DAY!
REGARDLESS, THE EMERGENCY WARNING SYSTEM IS ON. IT'S BETTER TO GET SOME-PLACE SAFE.
WHATEVER IT IS, I'M SURE SONIC WILL HANDLE IT!
I'M SURE HE WILL.
UNTIL HE HAS, WE NEED TO DO WHAT WE CAN FOR OURSELVES.
=SIGH= YES, SIR.
WHAT ARE THOSE IDIOTS DOING WITH SONIC?

RRRRRRGH...

RRRGH... OOOGH... I FEEL FUNNY.

RUN!

IT'S A MONSTER!

WELL... AT LEAST WE KNOW IT WOULD HAVE WORKED!
WHAT DID YOU GUYS DO TO VECTOR?
THE DART THAT HIT HIM WAS MEANT FOR YOU. IT CONTAINS A UNIQUE MUTAGEN THAT CAUSES A UNIFORM EXPANSION OF CELLULAR STRUCTURE...
IN ENGLISH, PLEASE?
IT MADE THE BIG GALOOT SWELL UP LIKE A BALLOON!
Hmm...

DO YOU HAVE AN IDEA, ESPIO?

PERHAPS. THERE IS AN ANCIENT NINJA REMEDY THAT MIGHT BE ABLE TO SAVE VECTOR.

BAH! A BUNCH OF TRADITIONAL HOCUS-POCUS!

DO YOU KNOW WHERE TO GET SOME, FAST?

YES. I KNOW OF ONE PLACE IN THE CITY.

COOL! LET'S GET IT!

ROGER, CHARMY, WATCH THESE TWO UNTIL WE GET BACK!

ROGER-WILCO-ROONIE!

ARE YOU SURE LEAVING CHARMY TO GUARD THEM IS A GOOD IDEA?

OF COURSE. HE'S ONE OF THE CHAOTIX!

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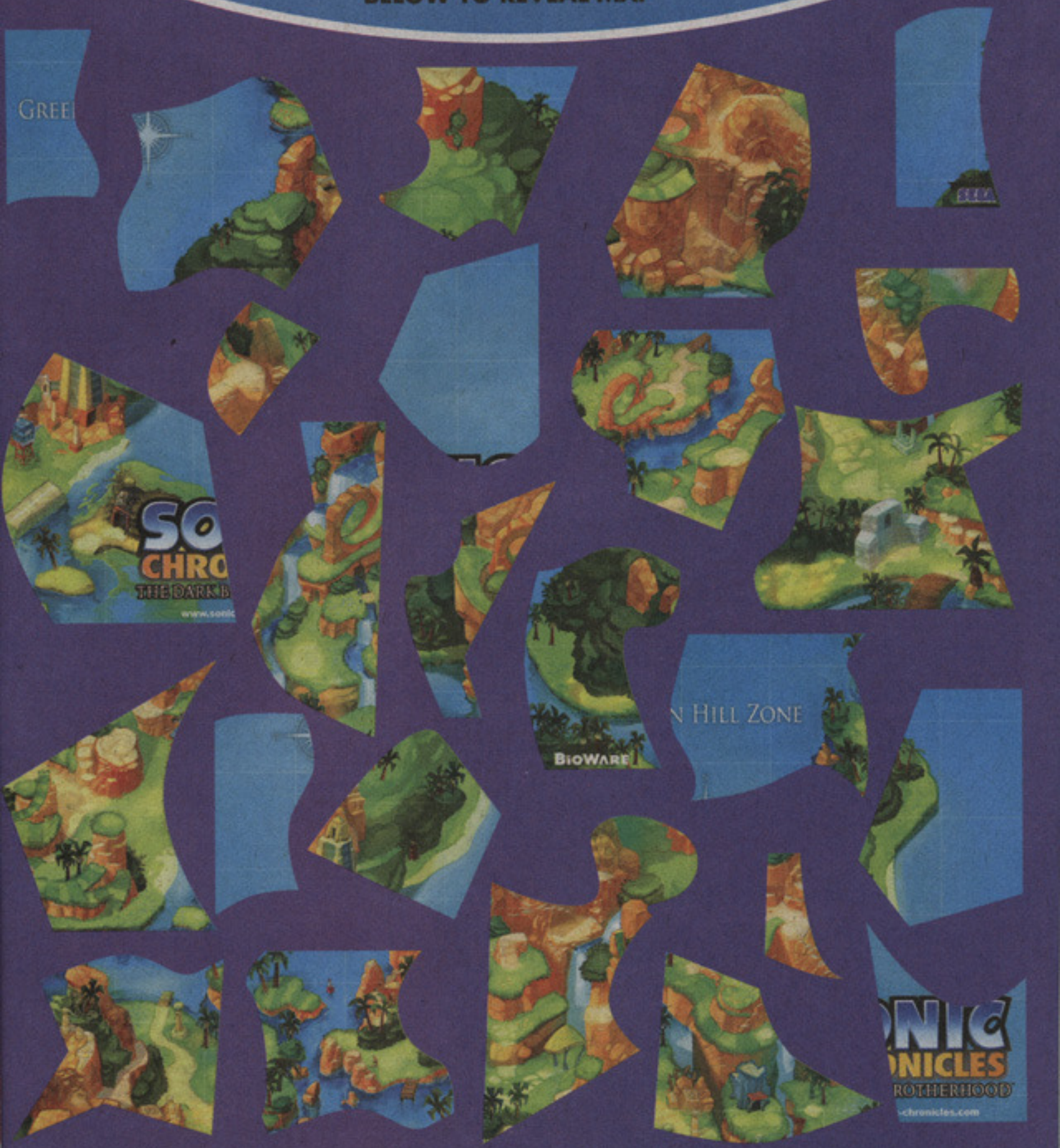

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NOW, DON'T YOU TWO TRY ANYTHING, OR I'LL STING YOU!
ACTUALLY, I'M ALLERGIC TO--
HEY, WHAT'S THAT OVER THERE?
WHERE?! WHAT IS IT? IS IT CANDY? OR BALLOONS?
SERIOUSLY, WHERE IS IT? I DON'T SEE ANYTHING.
GUYS? HEY-- WAIT!
VROOM
PHOOEY.

HEY, BOSS! HOW DID YOUR FIGHT WITH SONIC GO?

GUESS.

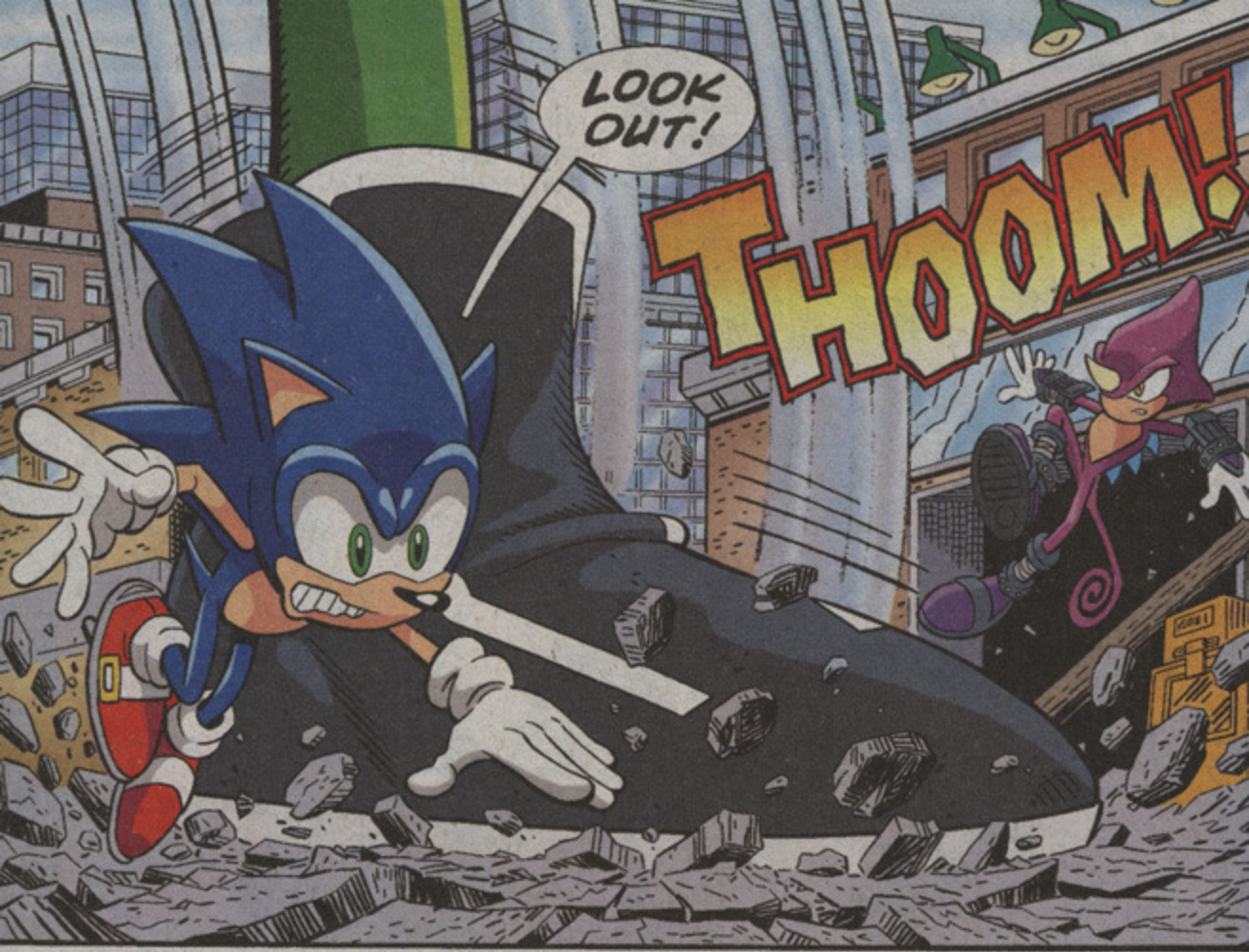
IF IT MAKES YOU FEEL ANY BETTER, SIR, A MONSTER IS RAVAGING DOWNTOWN STATION SQUARE!

REALLY? *Hmph.* SERVES THEM RIGHT.

ON THE OTHER HAND, IF SOMEONE WERE TO STOP THAT BEAST, THE CITIZENS WOULD PROBABLY THROW THEMSELVES AT THEIR FEET!

YEAH, BUT WHERE WOULD YOU FIND A GIANT MONSTER-FIGHTING ROBOT AT THIS TIME OF DAY?

WHY DO I GET THE FEELING I DON'T LIKE THIS SUDDEN SILENCE?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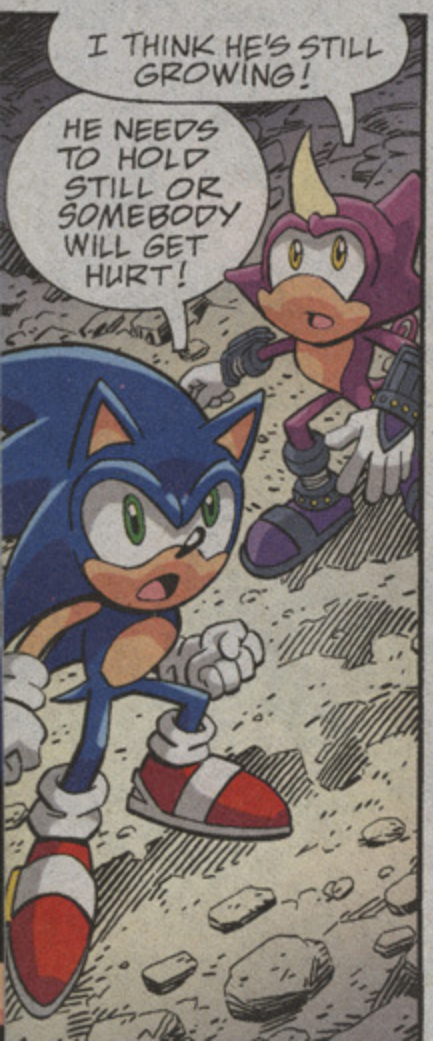
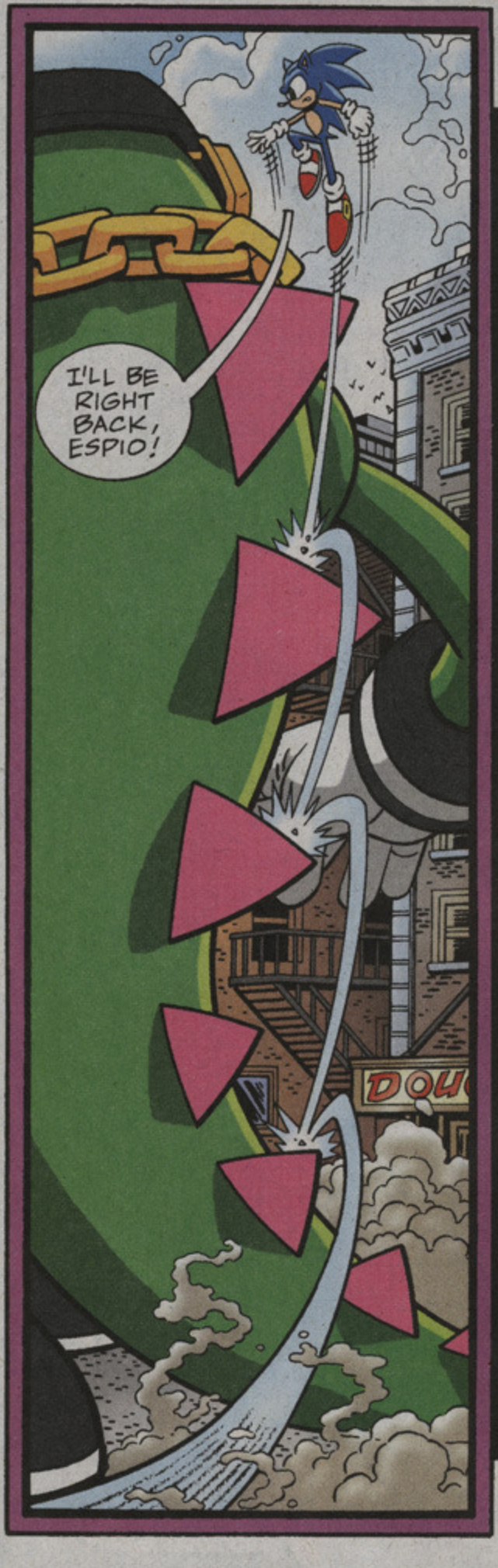
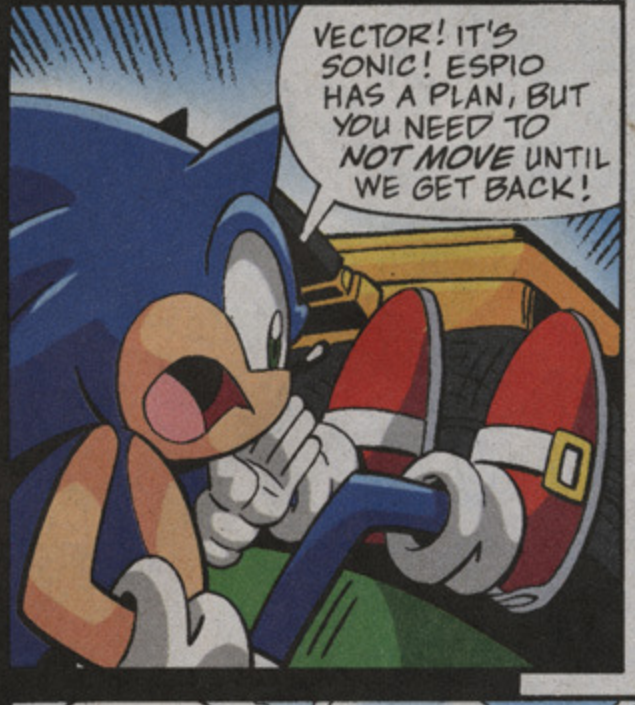

I THINK HE'S STILL GROWING!
HE NEEDS TO HOLD STILL OR SOMEBODY WILL GET HURT!

MMPH!

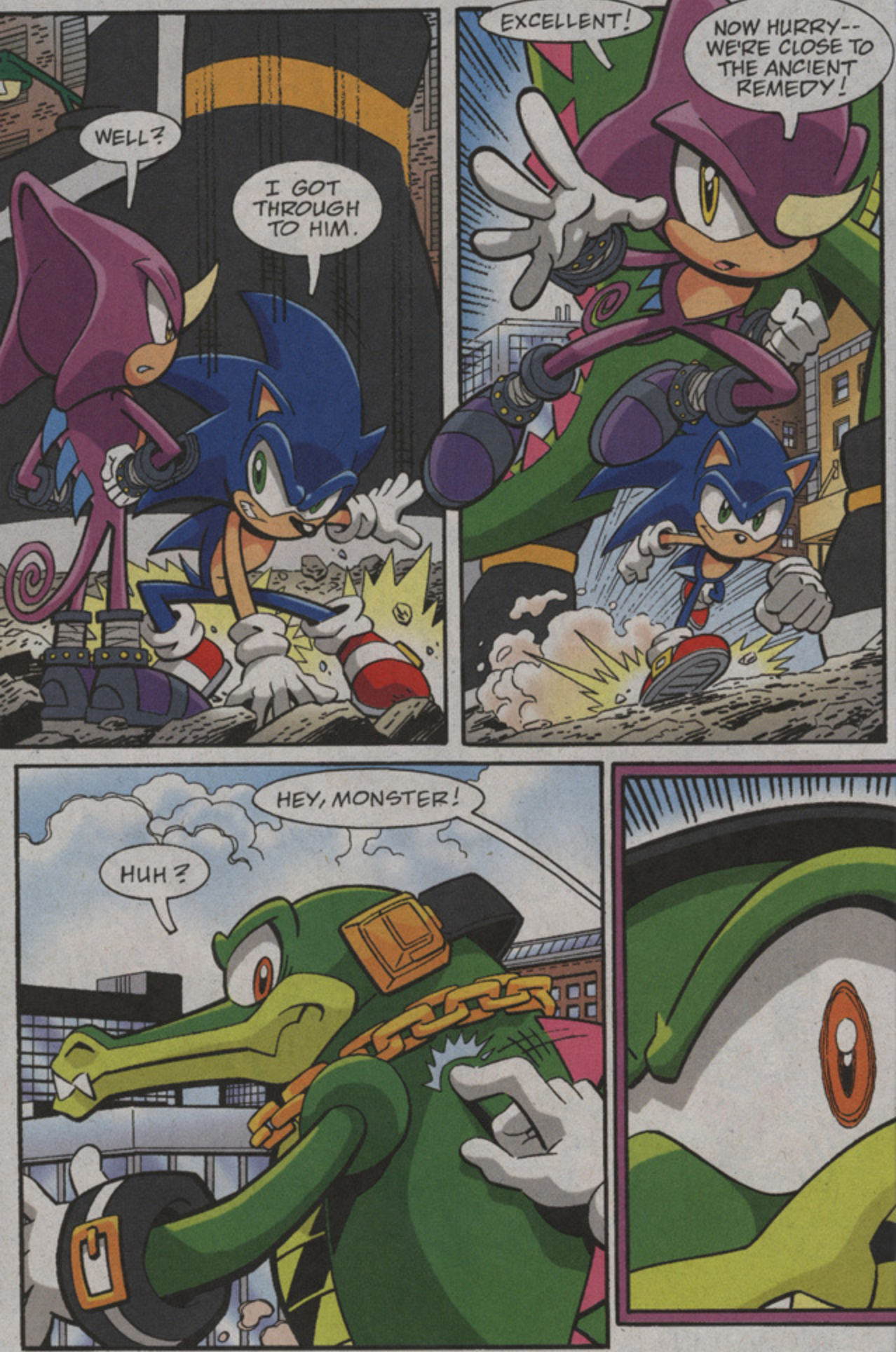
SORRY!


I'LL BE RIGHT BACK, ESPIO!

MMRPH!


VECTOR! IT'S SONIC! ESPIO HAS A PLAN, BUT YOU NEED TO NOT MOVE UNTIL WE GET BACK!

SURE THING, SONIC!
GOOD MAN.


WELL?
I GOT THROUGH TO HIM.
EXCELLENT!
NOW HURRY-- WE'RE CLOSE TO THE ANCIENT REMEDY!
HUH?
HEY, MONSTER!

I'M GOING TO TURN YOU INTO LUGGAGE!

POW!

M

WATCH IT! YOU ALMOST MADE ME SIT ON SOME-ONE!

THAT'S RIGHT! COWER! THIS CITY WILL BE SAVED BY SUPER MEGATIZED BOKKUN!

M

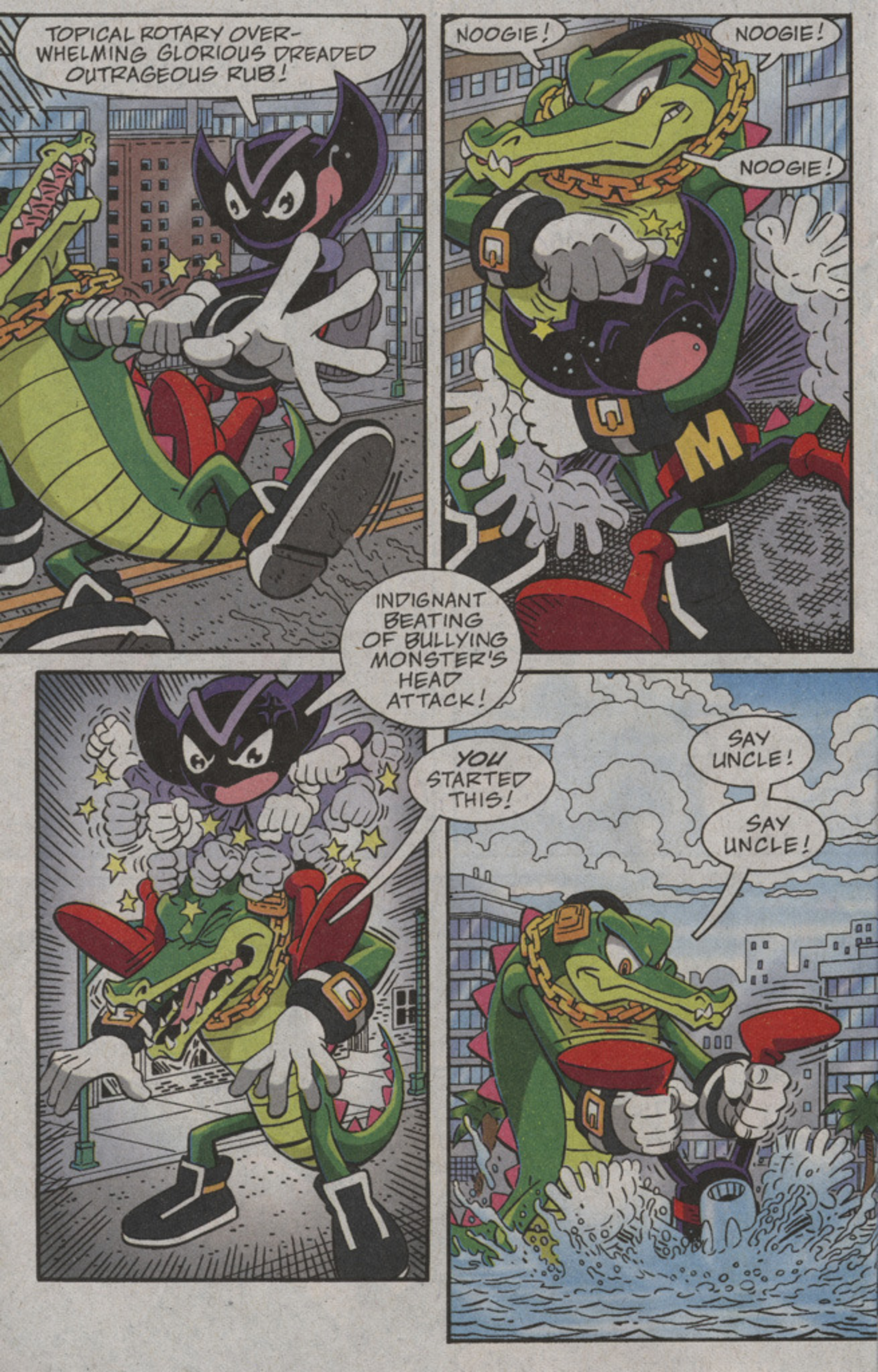
THAT'S RIGHT, FOLKS! SUPER MEGATIZED BOKKUN IS HERE FOR YOU!
stacy's
ONCE YOUR BELOVED CITY IS RESCUED, YOU WILL HAVE ME TO THANK! PRAISE ME!
THAT STUPID BRUTE WILL TROUBLE YOU NO MORE! THE UGLY, STINKING BEAST WILL--WILL--Ahem!-- HELLO.
SNORT!
AAAAiiiEEEEE!

LOOK, BOKKUN. I KNOW EGGMAN SET YOU UP TO DO THIS! WE DON'T *HAVE* TO FIGHT!

THE *MONSTER* IS *CONFLICTED!* WHAT'S THE MATTER? AFRAID I'LL BURY YOU IN AN AVALANCHE OF *PAIN*?!

I WON'T LET YOU HURT ANY-ONE!

THE MONSTER IS OVER HIS CONFLICTION! LET'S TUSSLE!


TOPICAL ROTARY OVER-WHELMING GLORIOUS DREADED OUTRAGEOUS RUB!
NOOGIE!
NOOGIE!
NOOGIE!
INDIGNANT BEATING OF BULLYING MONSTER'S HEAD ATTACK!
YOU STARTED THIS!
SAY UNCLE!
SAY UNCLE!

WE'RE HERE.

PHARM

SUC

THE PHARMACY?

TRASH

WILL THAT BE ALL?

YES, THANK YOU.

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WHERE'S THE ANCIENT NINJA REMEDY? YOU JUST BOUGHT ASPIRIN!

WHEN USED PROPERLY, ASPIRIN CAN REDUCE INFLAMMATION AND SWELLING.

THAT'S NOT ANCIENT!

ON THE CONTRARY. THE FIRST USES OF THIS COMPOUND HAVE BEEN TRACED TO GREECE IN THE FIFTH CENTURY B.C.E.

THERE WEREN'T ANY NINJAS IN GREECE!

G.U.N. FIGHTER PLANES!
OH, NO! VECTOR!
OH, NO! MY HERO-WORSHIP!
OH, NO! I LOST!
ONE-TWO-THREE-FOUR! I WIN THUMB WAR!
I'VE GOT TO SHRINK VECTOR-- NOW!

VECTOR! SAY "AH!"

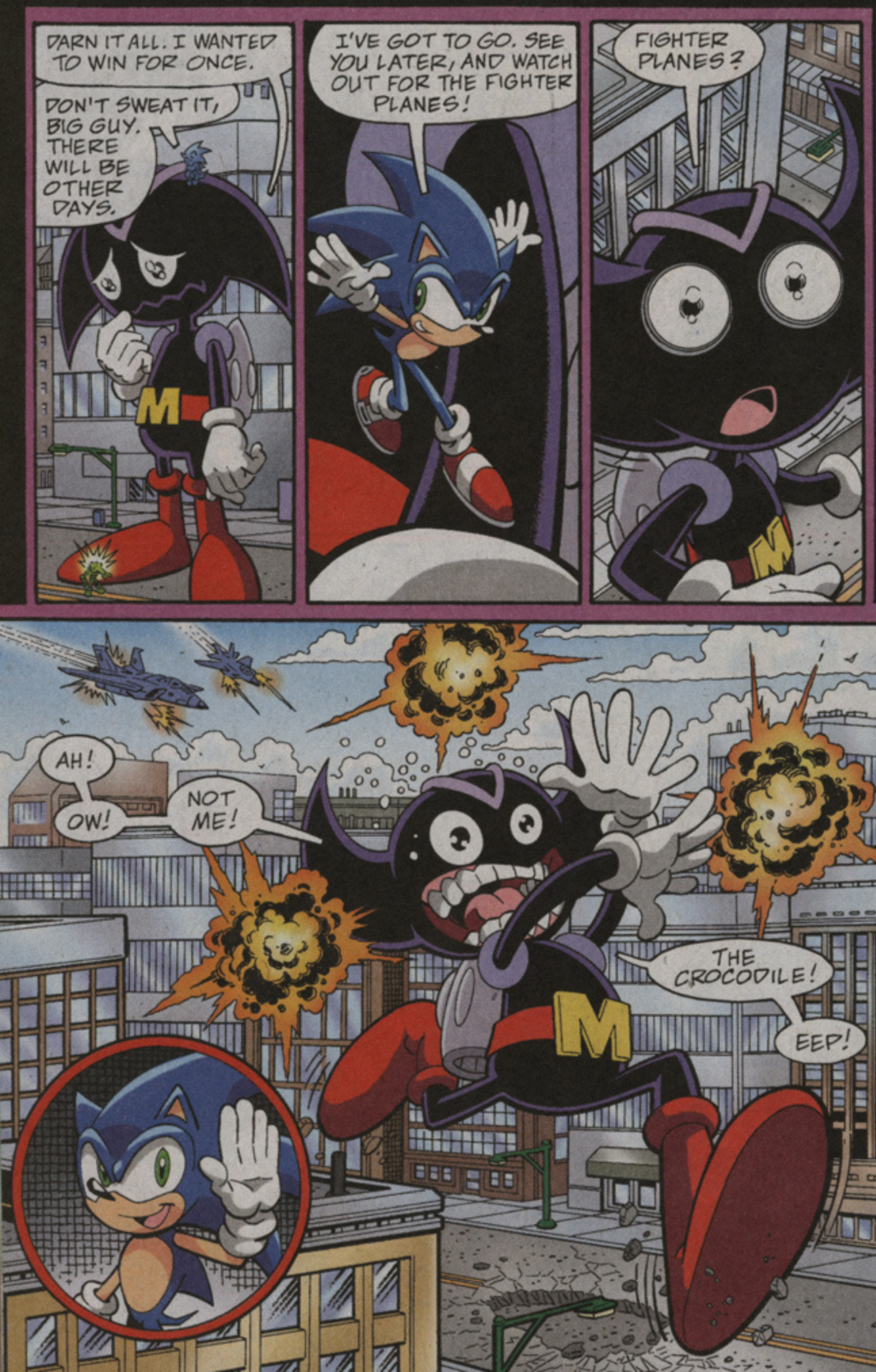
EH?

CLOSE ENOUGH!

=GULP!=

URP!

WHOA!


DARN IT ALL. I WANTED TO WIN FOR ONCE.
DON'T SWEAT IT, BIG GUY. THERE WILL BE OTHER DAYS.
I'VE GOT TO GO. SEE YOU LATER, AND WATCH OUT FOR THE FIGHTER PLANES!
FIGHTER PLANES?
AH!
OW!
NOT ME!
THE CROCODILE!
EEP!

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LIKE I'VE BEEN ON A ROLLER-COASTER FOR A HALF-HOUR, BUT FINE OTHER-WISE.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "WHAT HAPPENED TO THE PRISONERS?"

HISTORY LESSON ASIDE, THESE PILLS REALLY DID THE TRICK!

OOH! OOH! LET ME TRY SOME!

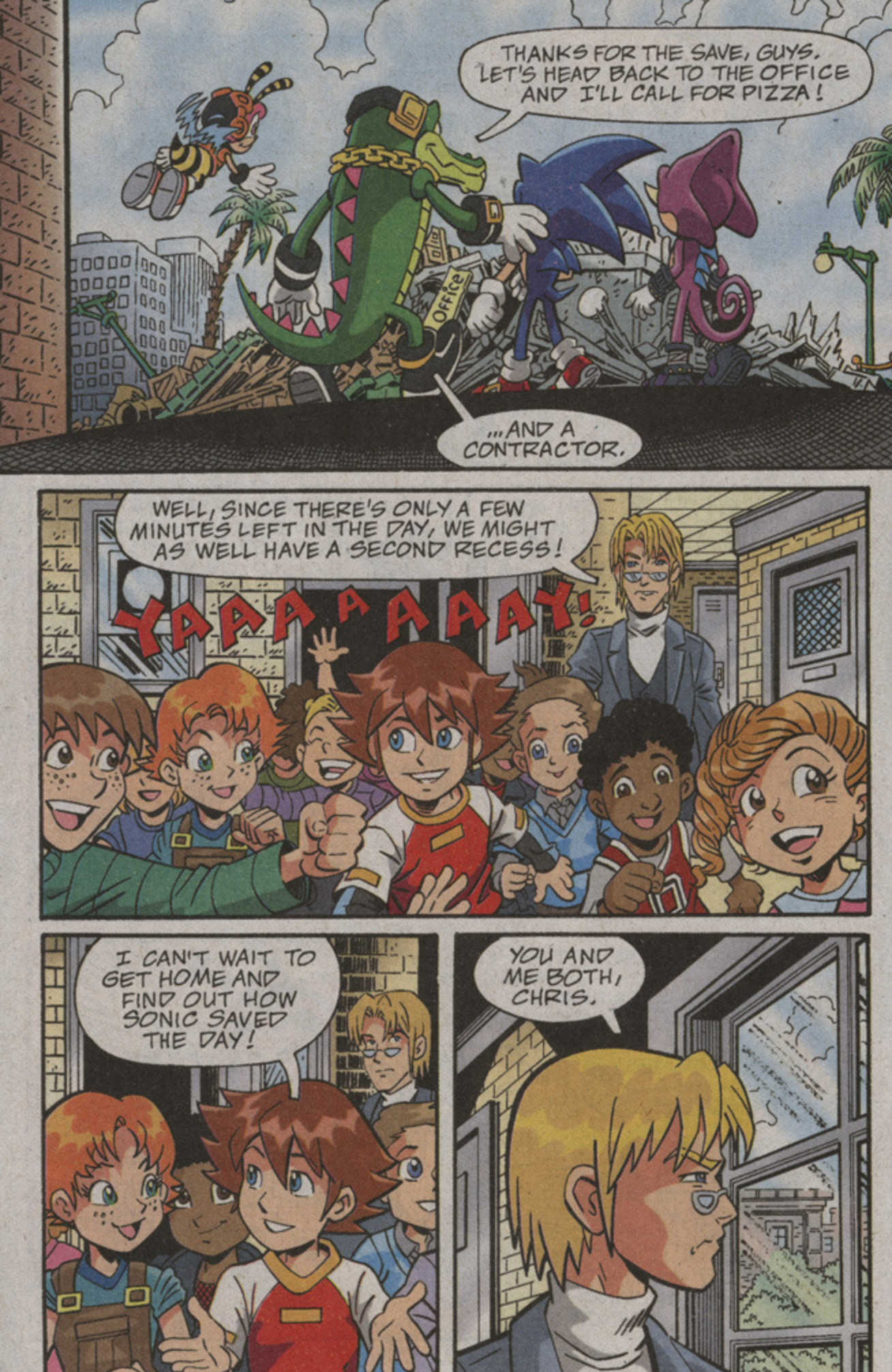
NO WAY, CHARMY! ASPIRIN--AND ALL MEDICINE--ISN'T SOMETHING TO PLAY WITH. YOU SHOULD ONLY TAKE THE RECOMMENDED DOSE!

AND IN YOUR CASE, ONLY WITH THE HELP OF AN ADULT!

AND IF THE PROBLEMS DON'T GO AWAY, YOU SHOULD GO SEE A DOCTOR IMMEDIATELY!

OKAY, GUYS!

I PROMISE NOT TO PLAY AROUND WITH MEDICINE!

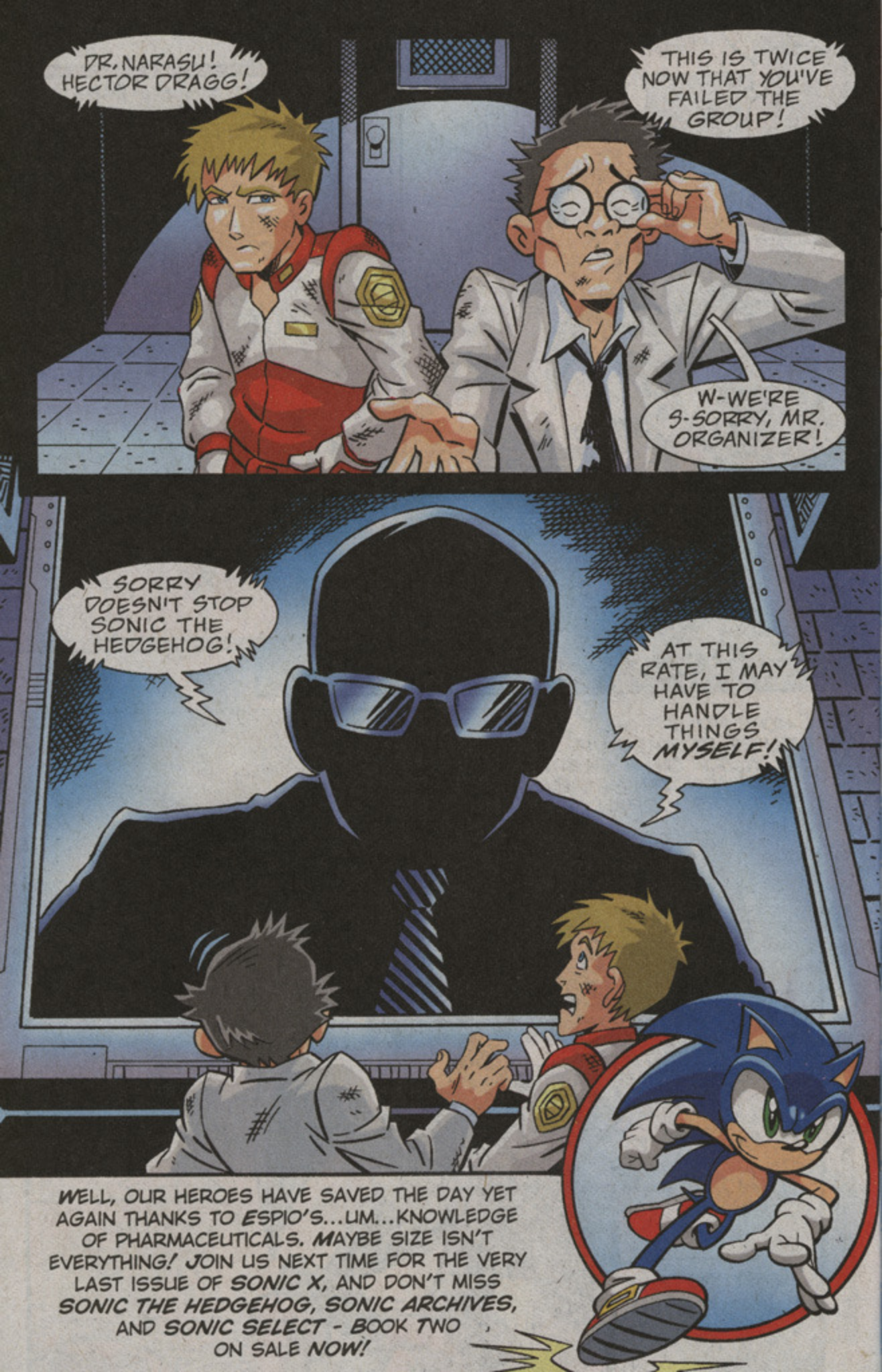

THANKS FOR THE SAVE, GUYS. LET'S HEAD BACK TO THE OFFICE AND I'LL CALL FOR PIZZA!
OFFICE
...AND A CONTRACTOR.
WELL, SINCE THERE'S ONLY A FEW MINUTES LEFT IN THE DAY, WE MIGHT AS WELL HAVE A SECOND RECESS!
YAAAAAAAY!
I CAN'T WAIT TO GET HOME AND FIND OUT HOW SONIC SAVED THE DAY!
YOU AND ME BOTH, CHRIS.

:SNIFFLE!: STUPID ARMY AND THEIR MISSILES!

OH STOP IT, YOU BIG BABY! THINK ABOUT ME! I HAD TWO PLANS FOILED TODAY!

NOW HOLD STILL! ONCE YOU'RE PATCHED UP, I'LL GET TO WORK ON A SHRINK RAY SO YOU CAN GET BACK TO WORK!

I CAN'T WAIT.


DR. NARASU! HECTOR DRAGG!
THIS IS TWICE NOW THAT YOU'VE FAILED THE GROUP!
W-WE'RE S-SORRY, MR. ORGANIZER!
SORRY DOESN'T STOP SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!
AT THIS RATE, I MAY HAVE TO HANDLE THINGS MYSELF!
WELL, OUR HEROES HAVE SAVED THE DAY YET AGAIN THANKS TO ESPIO'S...UM...KNOWLEDGE OF PHARMACEUTICALS. MAYBE SIZE ISN'T EVERYTHING! JOIN US NEXT TIME FOR THE VERY LAST ISSUE OF SONIC X, AND DON'T MISS SONIC THE HEDGEHOG, SONIC ARCHIVES, AND SONIC SELECT - BOOK TWO ON SALE NOW!

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Dear Sonic X-Grams:
I've got itching, burning, deep questions that I think you will be annoyed answering because it involves some serious archiving, but I hope you answer them.

Have you seen a doctor about these itching, burning questions of yours?

Your SONIC X series was quite "X"-cellent as you said it was, but I want to know just what's with the "themed" issues (St. Patrick's Day, The Circus, etc.)

It's too bad this series is ending at issue #40 - you shoulda seen what we had lined up for Boxing Day!

Will Chris ever get on the ship Blue Typhoon, or will he have to wait several years?

The kid's not even old enough to drive! But there is still ONE issue left!

A looong time ago when I was a kid, I read a Sonic comic in "Garfield" magazine. (Winter, 1992 issue) It partially advertised Sonic 1 for Genesis, but explained how Sonic originally became blue. Did Archie have anything to do with this?

As much as we'd like to claim that we are masters of ALL printed Sonic material, sadly, no. This was not one of our babies.

It's very annoying having to go around correcting my peers that Robotnik's name is NOT "Dr. Eggman." I realize "Eggman" is just his nickname, but many, many people are getting confused...

Maybe that's the point! Actually, Robotnik's name has changed so many times, who's to say what his "real" name is? Is it Julian Kintobor? Ivo Robotnik? Dr. Eggman? El Gran Gordo?

Thank you for taking the time to read my burning questions! Here's Sonic fan #322 signing off!

- JUSTIN K.
INDIANA

Dear Sonic X-Grams:
Has Eggman ever used mind control over Sonic? And NO, I'm not an evil Eggman fan!

In some ways, yes. In 2007's "Free Comic Book Day," he implanted a chip into Sonic's head which bent the blue blur to his will. And of course, there's always the Mecha Madness Special from way back when, where Sonic was a mindless robotic slave to the evil Doctor!

Are Sally, Antoine, Rotor, Bunnie, or Mighty ever going to come back?

- KATELY C.
ILLINOIS

Come back? We didn't know they were missing!

NEXT ISSUE: 40

"The End" – The last issue of SONIC X goes out with a bang – literally! – as Shadow and Metal Sonic crash Cream's tea party! Where did these two come from, and more importantly...where are they going? It's one last wild ride for Sonic as we make way for SONIC UNIVERSE #1!

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